less than \$2,350,000 shall be used for construction at Ponca State Park, Nebraska, including \$1,500,000 to be used for the design and construction of educational and informational displays for the Missouri Recreation Rivers Research and Education Center, Nebraska".

DURBIN AMENDMENT NO. 3906

Mr. ROTH (for Mr. DURBIN) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 4578, supra; as follows:

On page 159, strike lines 13 through 19 and insert the following:

"SEC. 119. None of the funds in this Act may be used to establish a new National Wildlife Refuge in the Kankakee River basin unless a plan for such a refuge is consistent with a partnership agreement between the Fish and Wildlife Service and the Army Corps of Engineers entered into on April 16, 1999 and is submitted to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations thirty (30) days prior to the establishment of the refuge."

CRAPO AMENDMENT NO. 3907

Mr. ROTH (for Mr. CRAPO) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 4578, supra; as follows:

On page 225, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

SEC. 3 . BACKCOUNTRY LANDING STRIP ACCESS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds made available by this Act shall be used to take any action to close permanently an aircraft landing strip described in subsection (b).

(b) AIRCRAFT LANDING STRIPS.—An aircraft landing strip referred to in subsection (a) is a landing strip on Federal land administered by the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture that is commonly known and has been or is consistently used for aircraft landing and departure activities.

(c) PERMANENT CLOSURE.—For the purposes of subsection (a), an aircraft landing strip shall be considered to be closed permanently if the intended duration of the closure is more than 180 days in any calendar year.

GORTON (AND BYRD) AMEND-MENT NO. 3908

Mr. ROTH (for Mr. GORTON (for himself and Mr. BYRD)) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 4578, supra; as follow:

On page 130, line 4, strike ''\$847,596,000'' and insert ''\$846,596,000'';

On page 165, line 25, strike "\$618,500,000" and insert "\$613,500,000";

On page 164, line 19, strike "\$1,233,824,000" and insert "\$1,231,824,000".

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2001

BOXER AMENDMENT NO. 3909

Mrs. BOXER proposed an amendment to the bill (H.R. 4516) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

"None of the funds appropriated under this Act may be used for the preventative application of a pesticide containing a known or probable carcinogen, a category I or II acute nerve toxin or a pesticide of the

organophosphate, carbamate, or organochlorine class as determined by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to U.S. Capitol buildings or grounds maintained or administered by the Architect of the U.S. Capitol."

NOTICES OF HEARINGS

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry will meet on July 27, 2000 in SR-328a at 9:00 a.m. The purpose of this hearing will be to review proposals to establish an international school lunch program.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry will meet on July 26, 2000 in SR-328a at 9:00 a.m. The purpose of this hearing will be to review the federal sugar program.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry will meet on July 20, 2000 in SD-106 at 9:00 a.m. The purpose of this meeting will be to examine the implications of high energy prices on U.S. agriculture.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PRODUCTION AND PRICE COMPETITIVENESS

Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry subcommittee on Production and Price Competitiveness will meet on July 18, 2000 in SR-328a at 2:30 p.m. The purpose of this hearing will be to review proposals to examine the future of U.S. agricultural export programs.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet today, July 17, 2000 from 1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. in Dirksen 628 for the purpose of conducting a hearing.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

RELATIVE TO THE DEATH OF FORMER SENATOR JOHN O. PASTORE

Mr. ROTH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 337, submitted earlier by Senator LOTT and Senator DASCHLE.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 337) relative to the death of the Honorable John O. Pastore, formerly a Senator from the State of Rhode Island.

The Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, tonight, as we adjourn, we do so in memory of John O. Pastore, who served the people of Rhode Island here in the Senate from 1950 to 1976.

Senator Pastore's life was in many ways a realization of the American dream—characterized by humble beginnings, hard work, opportunity, and accomplishment. His father was an immigrant tailor who passed away when John was a young boy. From that time on, he and his four siblings were reared by their mother, who supported the family as a seamstress.

Senator Pastore earned his law degree from Northeastern University, through evening classes the school offered at the Providence YMCA. The family home was his first law office.

Senator Pastore was initially elected to office in 1934, when he became a Member of the Rhode Island House of Representatives. He subsequently served as assistant state attorney general, lieutenant governor, and in 1945 became governor when his predecessor resigned for another office. Senator Pastore was then elected to two terms in his own right.

in 1950, he was elected to the U.S. Senate to fill a vacant seat. Two years later, he won the first of four full terms in this institution. He never lost an election.

Many individuals have passed through the doors of this great chamber, and each has left a unique imprint. Senators for years to come will think of John Pastore whenever the "Pastore rule", relating to germaneness of debate, is invoked.

Senator Pastore will be remembered in the United States Senate as a servant of the people and a man committed to his beliefs.

Today, the thoughts and prayers of the Senate are with his family and his constituents.

Mr. ROTH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and a statement of explanation appear at this point in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 337) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 337

Resolved, That the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of the Honorable John O. Pastore, formerly a Senator from the State of Rhode Island.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate communicate these resolutions to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of the deceased.